



FORM GC-255 INSTRUCTIONS

PETITION FOR TERMINATION OF GUARDIANSHIP (GC-255)

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Filling out the Caption on your form

The top of the form has 6 boxes.

Fill out the caption boxes as follows:

1. "Attorney or Party without Attorney" - if you do not have an attorney, fill in your name, address, and telephone number.

"Attorney For (Name)" - if you do not have an attorney, write "In Pro Per" (which means that you are representing yourself).
2. "SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF" - write the name of the County where you are filing your case. [Click here for location of courts.](#)
3. Check the box "Person" or "Estate of" and write the full name of the minor (child).
4. This is the TITLE of the form.
5. "For Court Use Only" - Leave blank.
6. "Case Number" - Leave blank.

Petition for Termination of Guardianship

[Guardianships](#) are not always permanent. The child, guardian, or child's parent can use this form to tell the court that they want to end the guardianship.

1. "[Petitioner](#) (name):" - write your name.
 - a. Check this box if the guardianship is for a person. Write the child's name.
 - b. Check this box if the guardianship is for an estate. Write the child's name. If this is a guardianship of the estate, check the right box at either 1b(1), (2), or (3).
2. Check the right box depending on whether you are the child, the child's guardian, or the child's parent.
3. If this is a guardianship of the person, write the guardian's name and the date that the judge signed the court order appointing the guardian.
4. If this is a guardianship of the estate, write the guardian's name and the date that the judge signed the court order appointing the guardian.

5. Check the right box for "person" or "estate". Explain why you think the guardianship should be ended on a separate page that you will label Attachment 5.
6. Check box "b" if a *Request for Special Notice* has been filed. Write the names of everyone who has filed a *Request*. You must [serve](#) a copy of this notice to each person who has filed a *Request for Special Notice*.
7. Check this box only if you could not find a [person that should be told about this court case](#). If you cannot find one of the people who are supposed to know about this court case, list all the ways you tried to reach these people on a separate page that you will label "Attachment 7".

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The top of the form has 2 boxes.

Fill out the caption boxes as follows:

① "Check the box "[Person](#)" or "[Estate](#)" - and write in the child's full name.

② "[Case Number](#)" – Leave blank.

The top of the form has 2 boxes.

1. Check the box for the type of case: ☐ PERSON ☐ ESTATE. If PERSON, write the child's full name in the space provided.

2. Case Number: _____

3. Check the box for the relationship of the petitioner to the child:

- a. Guardian
- b. Minor
- c. Father
- d. Mother
- e. Brother or sister
- f. Grandfather
- g. Grandmother
- h. Maternal grandfather
- i. Maternal grandmother
- j. Paternal grandfather
- k. Paternal grandmother
- l. ☐ Additional names and addresses continued in Attachment B.

4. Number of pages attached: _____

Date: _____

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing is true and correct.

Signature of Petitioner: _____

Signature of Attorney: _____

8. List all of the names and addresses of the guardian, the child, the child's parents, the minor's brothers, sisters, and grandparents.
9. Count the number of pages you are attaching to this form. Write that number here.

Date, print, and sign your name. You are promising [under penalty of perjury](#) that everything you have written on this form is true and correct.

Consent to Termination and Waiver of Notice

If the minor, the guardian, the parents, or any other interested party agrees that the guardianship should be ended, have them date, print, and sign their name in the "*Consent to Termination and Waiver of Notice*" box at the bottom of the form.